

Leicester, Sept. 10/58.

My dear Sir,

Friend & Cousin;

I returned yest. p. m. from a
fortnight's Anti-Slavery tour in
Vermont, in company with Mr.
Garrison, which was successful
& pleasant far beyond our
expectations, and I am confident
will be productive of no small
amount of good. Garrison's
extraordinary good sense, clear
discrimination, & ready adaptation
of his subject to his audience,
qualify him for field-service,
in my judgment, beyond any
other I know of our "field-hand".
During my absence, your note to
me came, and ~~was~~ my wife sent
it to me in Vermont. We were
all glad to hear of the prospect
that you would come to Mass^{ts}

this autumn; and we will be
much obliged to you, to give us
a few days' notice of your coming
to Leicester, that we may not
fail to be on the spot, even for
half a day. On the 5th, 6th, & 7th
Octo. (- indeed the whole of that
week) the Anti-Slavery Fair in
Worcester will occupy nearly our
entire time. Since Mrs. Sarah
H. Earle's death, the burden of
the Fair will come, more than
ever, upon Sarah ^(my wife). We hope
therefore that you will not come
that week - except that, we
expect to be at home, whenever
you may come, - still, would
like a few days' notice, as I
have to be (now) a good deal in
Boston.

The \$1. which you sent will
pay for your Advocate the past
year, and also for a year in

advance, commencing Octo. 1/58.
— the Subscription (to you who pay
your postage at yr. own office)
being Half a Dollar yearly. —

We are much pleased to hear
that you are having news from
the boys which gratifies and
comforts you, though we could
wish that Joe's strength came to
him more rapidly. I trust it
will be found that his recovery,
though slow, is certain.

My wife and Ade join me
in affectionate remembrance to your
wife, to Miss Coffin, and to
Charlotte, from whom we rejoice
to hear so good news, — and,
tho' last, not least, to yourself.

Ever truly yrs

Samuel May jr

San Diego
Sept 10, 1850

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